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1. During 1953, a working party led by Professor Paul Kunze from Rostock met in East Berlin to discuss physical methods of measuring atomic radiation.
2. Two members of Werk fuer Fernmeldewesen WF, Dipl. Ing. Eckerhardt Rehbock, then Deputy Head of Development, and Ing. Albert Thurley¹ of the Measuring Instrument Department, attended the working party together with representatives of the Transformatoren- und Roentgenwerk Dresden and members of the German Glimmlampen Gesellschaft (Incandescent Lamp Society).
3. The purpose of this assembly was to examine:
 - a. The methods of measuring impulses; and,
 - b. The feasibility of mass-producing electronic calculators.
4. Ing. Thurley thought that research work could be undertaken at Werk WF, but representatives of Transformatoren- und Roentgenwerk went further and made concrete proposals for the mass-production of tested electronic calculators.
5. It is believed that since this meeting took place, Transformatoren- und Roentgenwerk has produced a form of dosimeter in quantity for the USSR.
6. The working party which has been described above is believed to be in no way officially connected with the East German defense authorities. Groups of experts, including members of Werk WF, met frequently during 1954 to present technical advice to the East German Planning Commission. After 1954 they were called upon less often, and, since June 1955, not at all. It is probable that, if working parties still meet to discuss questions of defense, they do so secretly, and that their members are more carefully selected.
1. Comment: Formerly reported as Alfred Thurley.

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